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In re Patent Application of: Richard A. Joseph et al.

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For: ASSAY AND PROCESS FOR LABELING
AND DETECTION OF MICRO RNA AND
SMALL INTERFERING RNA SEQUENCES

Examiner: J. Martinell

CORRECTED RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed January 9, 2009, Applicant hereby submits its corrected response. Applicant has corrected claim 20 herein so that it shows the correct version and the correct status identifier.

In response to the Office Action mailed July 29, 2008, the Examiner's attention is directed to the following remarks.

Claims 1-21 and 24 are pending the present application. Claims 1-14 have been withdrawn and claims 15-21 and 24 are currently being examined.

Remarks Relating To IDS Citing EP 0 742 286

The Examiner has not considered EP 0 742 286 cited in the November 7, 2006 IDS because the reference is not in the English language and no translation was filed. Applicant has now submitted an IDS including a translation of EP 0 742 286 "produced by an automated process", downloaded from the European Patent Office website.